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River Clun: Accelerated infrastructure delivery project


I am writing to you on behalf of the Clun Climate and Environment Group, which I chair.

You will be aware of the issues in relation to water quality on the River Clun and their impact on wildlife and planning. These provide the context for Severn Trent Water's submission to the 'Accelerated infrastructure delivery project', the assessment of which was published earlier this month.

Our Group is concerned that STW's proposal to up-rate three wastewater treatment works in the River Clun Catchment to meet technically achievable limits for Phosphorus and Nitrogen has received an unfavourable assessment from you. This was based partly on the size of the population in the catchment. The river is in a deeply rural area where tourism and the health of the river are significant to the economy. The River Clun and its tributaries are at the heart of the villages in our Valley. The state of the River results in there being an embargo on any further development within a large catchment area. It is only recently that all agencies involved have begun to work together in addressing this.

We are requesting that you take a second look at the proposal and work with STW, the Environment Agency and Natural England to expedite delivery of a project which could make a significant contribution to improving the water quality of the Clun.

Yours sincerely

  
Chair, Clun Climate and Environment Group, an advisory group to Clun Town Council, with 